

Church of God

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ACTS OF THE APOSTLES.

7 And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power.

8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and in all uttermost part of the earth.

9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.

10 And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel;

11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

12 Then returned they unto Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is from Jerusalem a sabbath day's journey.

13 And when they were come in, they went up into an upper room, where abode both Peter, and James, and John, and Andrew, Philip, and Thomas, Bartholomew, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Judas the son of Joseph.

14 And they continued with one accord, and prayed in the presence of the Lord, and kept fast, and communed with one another, and did many days hence.

15 And in those days stood up certain of the apostles, whom he had chosen, and said, It seemed good unto us, not to leave thee, as thou hast said, to go into Judaea, and into Samaria, and into all the uttermost part of the earth, to preach the Gospel.

16 Forasmuch as we have heard that thou art now returned, and hast received power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon thee, to be a witness, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and in all the uttermost part of the earth.

17 Wherefore we have thought good to choose thee, and to send thee forth with brethren, to go into Judaea, and into Samaria, and into all the uttermost part of the earth, to preach the Gospel.

18 And thou shalt be a witness, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and in all the uttermost part of the earth.

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1. In the verbal inspiration of the Bible.
2. In one God eternally existing in three persons; namely, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
3. That Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of the Father, conceived of the Holy Ghost, and born of the Virgin Mary. That Jesus was crucified, buried, and raised from the dead; that He ascended to heaven and is today at the right hand of the Father as the Intercessor.
4. That all have sinned and come short of the glory of God, and that repentance is commanded of God for all and necessary for forgiveness of sins.
5. That justification, regeneration, and the new birth are wrought by faith in the blood of Jesus Christ.
6. In sanctification subsequent to the new birth, through faith in the blood of Christ; through the Word, and by the Holy Ghost.
7. Holiness to be God's standard of living for His people.
8. In the baptism of the Holy Ghost subsequent to a clean heart.
9. In speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance, and that it is the initial evidence of the baptism of the Holy Ghost.
10. In water baptism by immersion, and all who repent should be baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
11. Divine healing is provided for all in the atonement.
12. In the Lord's Supper and washing of the saint's feet.
13. In the premillennial second coming of Jesus. First, to resurrect the righteous dead and to catch away the living saints to Him in the air. Second, to reign on the earth a thousand years.
14. In the bodily resurrection; eternal life for the righteous and eternal punishment for the wicked.

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Have you heard of Gossiptown on the shore of Falsehood Bay, where old Dame Rumor with rustling gown is going the livelong day?

It isn't far to Gossiptown for people who want to go; the Idleness train will take you down in just an hour or so. The Thoughtless road is a popular route, and most people start that way; but its steep down grade, if you don't look out, will land you in Falsehood Bay.

You slide through the valley of Vicious Folk, into the tunnel of Hate, and after crossing the Add-to-Bridge, you walk right to the city gate. The principal street is called "They Say," and "I've Heard" is the public well, and the breezes that blow from Falsehood Bay are laden with "Don't-You-Tell."

In the midst of the town is Tell-Tale Park. You're never quite safe while there, for its owner is Madam Suspicious Remark, who lives on the street Don't Care. Just back of the park is Slander's Row, and there it was Good Name died, pierced by a dart from Jealousy's bow in the hands of Envious Pride.

From Gossiptown, peace long since has fled, but Trouble and Grief and Woe and Sorrow you'll meet instead, if you ever chance to go.

'Tis a dangerous road that leads down there, and beyond is the hill of Regret you must finally climb to free yourself and gain your self-respect. Though tears be spilled as you ascend, though forgiveness may be won, alas, you never quite can mend the damage you have done.—H. L. from *Now*.

NOTICES

The Blue Ash Church of God won a duplicator in a contest, and since they have no need for it, they would like to sell it. The new vari-color duplicator, standard size, complete with ink and instructions, they will sell for \$60.00 cash. If you are interested, contact Ivan R. Stone, 2234 Wheeler Street, Cincinnati 19, Ohio.

C. E. Richard's new address is 51st Street and 13th Avenue, North, Birmingham 6, Alabama, Phone 59-7990. He is continuing in the evangelistic work.

Anyone having friends or relatives in Houston, Texas, who are interested in the Church of God, please contact Brother R. D. Ashcraft, 7326 Texarkana Street, Houston, Texas.

Tilda Beckner, 2155 North Kennedy Street, Kokomo, Indiana, is now open for revivals.

The Ministers' Meeting for Washington and Oregon will convene at the Yakima Church of God, 1018 South 17th Avenue, beginning at 7:30 p.m., October 4 through October 5. All ministers, evangelists, and workers are urged to attend.—D. G. Homner, State Overseer.

Correspondence Course

All students of the old correspondence course who desire to continue the course should get in touch with the school at once. We have discontinued the course, but we shall be sending out lessons to those who have paid in full for the next sixty days. After that the old lessons will be disposed of in order to make room for the new courses being offered. If you want the rest of the lessons, write at once, give your present address, and send the balance on your account if there is any. I will grade the lessons and give out certificates on the old course until April 1, 1955, so you have plenty of time to finish it if you desire. Don't wait; send at once for your lessons!—Mrs. Avis Swiger, Lee College Correspondence Department, Cleveland, Tennessee.

● Suppose the Presses Stopped

By WILLIAM F. McDERMOTT

(Outstanding Christian journalist formerly with "Chicago Daily News")

WHEN THE NEWSPAPER strike in New York stopped the giant presses from rolling off their Niagaras of new editions daily, America's first city suddenly felt itself all but paralyzed.

"No daily paper?" eight of every ten people asked each other in bewilderment. One of the greatest publications missed its issues for the first time in more than a century.

Inveterate readers who took their newspapers for granted as much as their coffee suddenly found themselves "lost." Radio-television newscasts and flashes and motion picture newsreels proved no substitute for the paper to be read and digested at will.

WHENEVER I ENTER a Christian home where no Christian publication is subscribed to and perused regularly and intelligently, I feel that here is a domicile which in one sense is "lost." It has deprived itself of the greatest continued news story of the times—the story of the Lord at work in His world in these desperate, yet challenging days. The presses for that family have stopped.

When I find a Christian publication alongside the Bible in a home of devout followers of the Lord Jesus Christ, I sense that here is a family that is alive to the world and its spiritual problems and to the many ways modern disciples are militantly battling to meet them.

I regularly read eight or ten church weeklies or monthlies, and I find no literature of the day more informative or invigorative, none more helpful in understanding current complexities or more revealing in the only way—Christ's way—to meet them. Newspapers and magazines are neither substitutes nor competitors of the religious press. Its service is unique, vast, incomparably important, and influential in advancing the kingdom of God.

THERE IS NO ORGANIZATION in our land comparable to the Christian Church. We count more than 90,000,000 members on church rolls, but the number of Christian adherents, including the nominal, must range from 130,000,000 to 150,000,000. Atheism or agnosticism, at least the militant, blatant type, has almost disappeared from the scene. It is no longer the smart thing to deny God. It is true that a vast paganism exists, but there is also a virile counterfaith, rooted in the fundamental doctrines of historic Christianity which millions proclaim and live and for which multitudes would be willing to give their lives.

There's news there, Friend—the greatest, best, most exciting news anywhere. And there's only one place you will find it chronicled faithfully, fully, accurately and inspiringly—in your Christian publication.

The Bible itself sets the pattern for today's Christian publications. Webster's Dictionary defines the word "gospel" as "the good news concerning Christ, the kingdom

of God, and salvation." What better statement could fly from the masthead of the Christian press in our land today?

Likewise, in the Acts of the Apostles, we find the meatiest story ever printed—the story of the founding of the Christian Church and its spread in a few decades over the known world. It's news without parallel in history.

Christian publications do a follow-up today of the "greatest story ever told." Let's look at the picture from different angles.

Secular news columns are rife with threats of war, killings, corruption, and violence. Possibility of the suicide of the human race hangs like a black shadow over reports from the capitals of many nations. Is there no counteracting influence?

TURNING TO MY church paper, I find there the story of a Christian doctor in a primitive, hunger-ridden land, who in his missionary hospital performed 3,000 cataract operations in a year on the eyes of people going blind, and of an American group of church women furnishing him with 500 artificial eyes for those who have lost partial sight. Think of the good will created thereby—the good will which alone will bring peace.

Again, a story that mentions Halley's comet intrigues me. What has that to do with religion? I discover that a descendant of that famous astronomer condensed the Bible to one-third its size and committed all that condensation to memory; for years Henry H. Halley held "Bible memory revivals" at which his "sermons" consisted of Scripture quotations. He could recite Bible passages for an hour a night for six weeks and never repeat a line.

YOU READ OF JUVENILE delinquency increasing, of dope addiction, of vandalism, of jails packed with teen-agers, of adolescents committing atrocious murders, but there's another side to youth. In my church paper I find the account of 11,000 Christian workers traveling a total of 6,000,000 miles to attend a great Sunday School convention. I read of young people by the hundreds dedicating themselves to Christian service.

My church paper tells me of new churches being founded, of Christian service in prisons and hospitals, of evangelical schools and colleges preparing men and women for missionary work, of progress being made in good race relations and in relief of the poor and needy, of the influence of Christ in all phases of life.

I read the story of revival the world over, of the Word of God being preached in hundreds of languages, and of Bibles printed in more than a thousand tongues. I learn of thousands being converted in evangelistic campaigns here and in foreign lands. I find that God, working in His world in amazing ways, makes one realize that "my

word shall not return unto me void."

Your Christian publication not only informs you, but also broadens your vision. As you read from week to week or month to month the kingdom news of your own denomination and of others, your spiritual view is not limited to your earthly horizon. You see beyond your own neighborhood, city, or nation. You realize that you have brothers whom you will never see or know in the flesh who are of different races and cultures and whose food and manners are strange to yours—yet, all are bound together with the indestructible ties of Christian love.

PAROCHIALISM IS NO mark of the true Christian. He becomes world-minded in the realization that Jesus Christ is the Saviour of all men who seek Him and that *Saviourhood* binds us to our unseen Christian friends with a closeness and understanding that no political ties can ever develop. Big-mindedness and big-heartedness go hand in hand, and your church paper is priceless in its efforts to enhance such nobility of soul.

You will find your church paper an invaluable supplement to the sermon and an aid to worship. Nothing is so inspiring as a sermon preached under the guidance of the Holy Spirit—there must *always* be the faithful preaching of the Word of God. Yet, your memory is the only way you have, or usually use, in preserving for yourself the weekly pulpit message. And details tend to fade away as time passes.

Your church paper can be read, digested, and kept for permanent reference. You can peruse it as you wish, and it can serve as a memory refresher for years to come. You can clip it and use the material in it decades later. I have on file gems from church papers which I clipped half a century ago; they are as timely today as when printed. If I took Christian publications for no other reason than what I retain for future use, I would still be getting more than my money's worth.

I consider the Christian press the strong right arm of the Church. The denominations that have well-edited, vigorous publications are divisions of the Christian Church that are advancing all along the line. At no time in history have the masses of people been more zealous for knowledge, and at no time have they been more willing to follow the paths that reliable information outlines for them.

AN IGNORANT PEOPLE are a static people. Poverty of body goes very much with poverty of mind, and poverty of spirit goes with poverty of information about God, His will, and His Church. Nothing can cripple a denomination more, except outright sin or worldliness, than to lack an avenue of communication. Haphazard distribution of literature will not do. It is God's will that people should know and go forward. The efficient, attractive, and consecrated Christian publication not only *informs* its people, but also *inspires* them with its dramatic presentation of the kingdom of Christ in action, with its varied special articles, quotable bits of exhortation, and its editorials commending loyal, unremitting, joyous service to the Master.

You not only *get* but also *give* when you are a loyal subscriber and intensive reader of your Christian publication. You give support, financial and moral, to the kingdom of God. You are serving God, as well as the church treasury, when you subscribe to the church paper. No publication can exist without subscribers or readers, and the larger its clientele the better it can serve you.

You inspire the editor and his staff to do their utmost to present vital Christian news, editorials, stories, articles, and features. Just as a minister is stirred to preach more eloquently by a large, responsive congregation, the editor does his best when he has a large number of interested, appreciative readers. More so, *when they write him*.

I know many editors of Christian publications, and I find them, as a rule, to be men of high intelligence and consecration. The days are gone when ecclesiastical authorities thought you could put anyone into the editorial chair and he would automatically function. To be an able editor requires not only a natural aptitude for journalism, but also technical skill comparable to that of the surgeon or engineer.

TO BE A TRUE Christian editor requires even more; the technique must be there, but also the devotion to Christ necessary to make a Christian publication a true bearer of good tidings. A brilliant editor of a secular journal might fail if he depended solely on his own ability to become a successful religious editor. This is another phase of the uniqueness of the Christian press. The real editor is not only a publisher but also a crusader. Ever in his mind and prayers is this: Am I doing what Jesus would have me to do, and am I always doing my best for Him?

In the evangelical press today, you will find editors whose personal lives have been surrendered to the Lord for His service and direction and who consider themselves called to their task the same as ministers and missionaries. Many of them are ordained ministers to whom God has given editorial talents which they in turn have dedicated to His service.

As I look back over the years, I see tremendous advancements in the church press. Time was when the run of Christian publications was dry and colorless—a few unfortunately are still that way, but they are ripe for "conversion." The religious press wasn't alone in that drabness. Just take a look at an old-time newspaper and its columns of small type, dead heads, and poor printing.

This is a changing world, and while the tenets of our faith are changeless, our customs and practices alter. The printing art has made incredible strides in the last thirty years; journalism has likewise progressed. Tract literature, religious leaflets, and pamphlets have come alive with color and high grade typography. And most church publications today are attractive, well illustrated, printed on good stock, and easy to read. You can place many Christian publications today alongside smart-looking national magazines, and they are fully as inviting to the eye. In fact, a few of them excel so markedly that I would say they outdo nine out of ten of our most famous magazines in eye appeal.

As to dramatic and romantic writing—not in the sentimental sense—Christian papers take no back seat to any publication. As I read church journals and Sunday School literature, I find them as fully engrossing as the secular publications who pay high prices to noted writers for stories and articles. This is good news, for cheapness has no place in Christianity. We owe our very best to God. Christian editors have a keen sense of that, and in giving their best are winning millions of faithful Christians to a realization that Christian publications are indispensable to an effective blanketing of the world with the good

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FALSE SECURITY

By FRANK PETRUCELLI,
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TEXT: Daniel 5:30, 31, *"In that night was Belshazzar the king of the Chaldeans slain. And Darius the Median took the kingdom, being about threescore and two years old."*

Father

IN THIS OUR DAY, we read and hear of the various ways man is trying to protect himself from the terrible destruction that he fears. He fears above everything else the A-bomb, the H-bomb, the cobalt bomb, and many other infernal machines that man has ingeniously invented and made for his own destruction.

To counteract or to protect, man has invented what is known as radar. He has placed the radar screens around the Nation's coast lines and around some of our key cities so that possibly the people may be warned before an enemy raid or sneak attack. As in the city of Babylon, even though there is a fear of what may happen, many people are unconcerned as to the need of God in their lives. Man today is trusting to his inventions and his learning rather than calling on God, the Father, for his security.

We see our lesson being unfolded before us. Belshazzar, who was the grandson of Nebuchadnezzar, surely must have known how his grandfather had destroyed Jerusalem and had brought back the sacred vessels from the Temple of God. He surely must have known of his grandfather's vanity (Daniel 4:30) and how he dwelt with the beast of the field and ate grass as the oxen seven years, because the Lord had reminded him that he, Nebuchadnezzar, was not to forget the God of Daniel.

HOW EASY IT IS for men to forget the Almighty. Belshazzar was king. He was the greatest man of the kingdom. He was king over the greatest empire of that time. Was not his city the greatest known? Was not it independent of all others? It was a big city about ten to fifteen miles long and the same in width. Its walls were three hundred feet high, eight feet thick, and extended thirty-five feet into the ground so that the enemy could not dig under it. (*Haley's Handbook of the Bible.*) The walls were protected by deep canals around them. Two hundred and fifty towers were on the walls for the guards. One hundred gates of brass were used to enter the city on all sides. With plenty of water from the Euphrates River, which passed through the middle of the city, there were hanging gardens, filled with flowers and trees, on the buildings. The king had two palaces, one

on either side of the river, connected by a bridge over the water and a tunnel under the bed of the river. The city streets were spacious. Everything was about as perfect as man could make it.

However, the king had fear of his enemies, but as long as he lived in this impregnable stronghold, he was not afraid. Was he not the great king? Was he not the man who could and did defy all other powers? Surely he felt he was invincible. Surely there was none greater or more powerful than Belshazzar. His boast was "I am king of the world." These were the words of his undoing. He, no doubt, had repeated these words until he believed them himself. He believed them so much that he decided to defy the God of Israel.

As we read in the fifth chapter of Daniel, he made a great feast. In his drunken stupor, he had the sacred vessels of the Temple of God in Jerusalem brought in. He, his princes, wives, and concubines drank their wine out of them. Intoxicating liquors were flowing freely. There was plenty of boisterous talk. Undoubtedly they cursed the name of the God of Israel; it was a night of sinful pleasure—their wicked passions were at high level. Belshazzar's impiety was daring. Where was the God of Israel who was so mighty? Had they not done the very things that others dared not, and had not they shown that they were not afraid of this God who said that He is a living God?

IN THE SAME HOUR (Daniel 5:5) came forth fingers of a man's hand and wrote on the plaster of the wall. The king saw the supernatural phenomenon, for his countenance changed and his thoughts troubled him; his knees would not bear him up. The king did not command, but he cried aloud; his heart, filled with fear, felt as if it were sinking within him.

When Daniel told him the meaning of those famous words (Daniel 5:25-28), he gave his life as the living God had told him in the handwriting on the wall. The walls of the city were not as formidable as he thought, and the very river he depended on for water and defense was his weakest point and proved his undoing. The enemy

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THY WILL BE DONE

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Son

PERHAPS the most momentous words of Jesus that were recorded are those found in Matthew 6:10b, "Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven." While praying in the Garden of Gethsemane just before He was taken, our Lord said, "O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt." Jesus let it be known He was doing as He was instructed by the Father and not acting on His own.

In our relationship with Jesus, we must first learn that our will is to be broken to His will. It is humiliating and painful to some, but it is the only way. The King of our life cannot live in us and fully reveal Himself until our pride is broken. This means only that this unyielding self, which always seeks to justify itself, to stand up for its rights, and to seek its own glory, finally bows and surrenders to the precious Saviour so that He may be All and have all.

First, we must realize God has a plan for our lives and some work for us to do. We must pray, and He will show His will to us, and then we can say, "Lord I'll go with Thee come loss or gain." When the three Hebrew children were told to worship the image of gold, they very plainly stated that they would not bow to any idol. They knew God had a plan for their lives, and this idolatry was not included. They said, "If it takes the way of the fiery trial, we are willing." The only thing that mattered to them was the will of God being manifested in their lives.

He not only has a plan, but also a place for those who serve Him. It may not always be in the field of our choice, but if each one of us will take upon himself the full impact of the wonderful hymn "If Jesus Goes With Me I'll Go Anywhere," it will not matter where just so it is in the will of God.

POOR JONAH had to learn the hard way just as some of us will no doubt do. Jehovah in His almighty wisdom said, "Jonah, go to Nineveh; cry out against it for their wickedness is come before me." Jonah said to himself, "I'll go down to Tarshish and preach; they, as well as Nineveh, need a little warning." The

thought was probably in his mind as it is in ours today—just so I'm working for the Lord, it doesn't matter too much where. Evidently it was imperative for Jonah to go to the specific location God had pointed out, because we all know the story of Jonah's special ride to dry land.

Many people would not mind putting forth some effort for the Lord if they knew their names would appear in lights or someone would take notice of their accomplishments. On the contrary, how many times does the faithful servant go about his duties—visiting the sick, comforting those in trouble, seeking the lost, in many instances, being carpenter, electrician, plumber, taxi driver, and many other jobs—with not as much as a thank you from those whom he is serving. No one offers encouraging words, but on he goes with a spring in his heels and glory in his soul, because he, too, prayed the prayer of all humble servants "Not as I will, but as thou wilt."

NOT UNTIL WE are trusting God fully, letting Him lead us, and praying continually "not as I will but as thou wilt," that we fully realize and believe Romans 8:28, "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."

Lord, bend that proud, stiffnecked I.
Help me to bow my head and die.
Beholding Him on Calvary,
Who bowed His head for me.

Minds are like parachutes; they function only when open.—Ervine, *The Defender*

"The power to help others depends upon the acceptance of a trampled life."—*Herald of His Coming*

WATCHFULNESS

JOHN PETRUCELLI,
Evangelist

TEXT: Mark 13:37, "*And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch.*"

Son



ON COMING out of the Temple which He customarily attended, Jesus was addressed by one of the disciples who spoke of the stones of the Temple, of their manner or kind, and of the wonderful structure of the building. Jesus, I am persuaded to believe, sensing the thoughts of His followers, answered, "Seest thou these great buildings? there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down." Of course, this statement made the disciples wonder, and we are prone to think it started the discourse among them. Many times they had discussed Jesus' sayings as to the coming kingdom. This led to the question Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked Jesus privately as He sat on the Mount of Olives. "Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign when all these things shall be fulfilled?"

JESUS STARTED His discourse by alerting them to take heed lest they be deceived by men who say they are the Christ. Many have come and are, even to this day, claiming to be God, Christ, or chosen disciples of God; yet, their very works and walk of life prove differently. Jesus said, "Let no man deceive you." Also, He spoke of wars and rumors of wars, nation rising against nation, brother betraying brother, and the gospel being preached to all nations. Then He related at length the great tribulation which is yet to come to pass.

What we, as Christians of today, love so well in this chapter is the telling of the glory of His second coming and His warning "I say unto all, Watch."

Truly we feel the need of being watchful. Seeing these things coming to pass, we should be more alert to the fact that we must ever watch. In this wonderful country of ours, there are hundreds, yes, thousands, of men and women who are devoting their time to watchfulness. Our country is conscious of the terrible condition of the world. Instead of a world of loving beings, of peaceful homes, and of trustfulness, it has turned into a place of chaos and fear. We, as Christians, need to be on the alert and not let fear grip our hearts so that we forget to be watchful for the coming of Christ. Watchfulness plays an important part in a Christian's life. For what then

are we to watch? Habakkuk, the prophet of the tribe of Simon, states in Habakkuk 2:1, "I will stand upon my watch, and set me upon the tower, and will watch to see what he will say unto me, and what I shall answer when I am reproved." Christian, are we standing watch and are we listening for the voice of God? What will our answer be when we are reproved? We are living in perilous times. Direction from God means a victorious, happy, and peaceful life and a life of expectancy.

I once knew a young man who had a wonderful experience with God. His testimony was that God had called him to preach. Did he succeed? No. He failed to stand watch, to listen, and to sit in the tower and listen for direction from God; therefore, the enemy overtook him and he failed. Friend, we must learn to stand still and see what God will have to say. (Read again Habakkuk 2:1.)

CHRISTIANS MUST BE vigilant, watchful, for the Adversary, for he is as a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour. He, our Adversary, will not actually devour or eat us, but he will take our thoughts and minds away from watching for our wonderful Saviour. When he has accomplished this, we get careless, indifferent, lose our vision for souls, and then when it is too late, we awaken to the fact that we ourselves are lost.

Again the words of Jesus "And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch." Let us watch and listen for direction from God, for the incessant attack from the enemy, for the uncertain time, and for the certain second coming of Jesus.

Many sermons perhaps have been preached on this subject; yet, the need for watchfulness is more apparent than ever before. Christian friend, let us take precaution, gird ourselves with the truth, put on the breastplate of righteousness, shod our feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace, wear the shield of faith, the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit. If God be for us, who can be against us? Many come to war against us and to keep our minds from God, but let us take the words of Jesus to heart and watch. "I SAY UNTO ALL, WATCH."



REPORTS...

PHOENIX, ARIZONA

KELLYSVILLE, W. Va.—Brother O. W. Thomas of Tampa, Florida, closed a good revival here on August 1, 1954. Ten were saved, 2 sanctified, 1 was filled with the Holy Ghost, 5 were baptized in water, and 2 united with the Church. There are others looking this way, including ministers from other faiths. We praise God for Brother and Sister Thomas and this good revival.—H. G. Kiser, Pastor.

PALMER, Tenn.—We have just had a revival in Palmer with 7 saved, 7 sanctified, and 5 filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother Winslow Davenport who was the evangelist will be a blessing to any church.—James K. Earls, Pastor.

THOMSON, Ga.—We have just had a three weeks' revival with Brother and Sister Morris Lee of South Carolina as the evangelists. It was one of the greatest this church has had. Ten were saved, 5 sanctified, 3 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 9 united with the Church. God blessed in each service. We feel that any church will be fortunate to secure Brother and Sister Lee and their son, Morris Jr., for a revival. Their preaching and singing are an inspiration to the Church. Our Sunday School broke all records with 105 present on the last Sunday of the revival. The interest is great, and God is still with us.—Mrs. J. H. Lane, Reporter.

TUSQUITTEE, N. C.—We have just had a three weeks' revival with Brother B. O. Cantrell as the evangelist. Eleven were saved, 4 sanctified, 1 received the Holy Ghost, 4 were baptized in water, and 1 united with the Church. Brother Cantrell is a wonderful man of God and has spiritually built up most of our people by his good and strong preaching. We also appreciate our wonderful pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister Earl Long, because they have been such a great blessing to our Church.—Roy Mosteller, Clerk.

TECUMSEH, Mich.—We have just had a good revival with Brother Clearance McDonald as the evangelist. He is a person who depends upon the Holy Ghost to lead and direct him. Thirteen were saved, 7 sanctified, 7 filled with the Holy Ghost, 9 baptized in water, 10 added to the Church, and the Church has been greatly revived. Our new pastor is Brother T. L. Cruse, and we are expecting great things from God in the next two years.—Adele Cruse, Reporter.

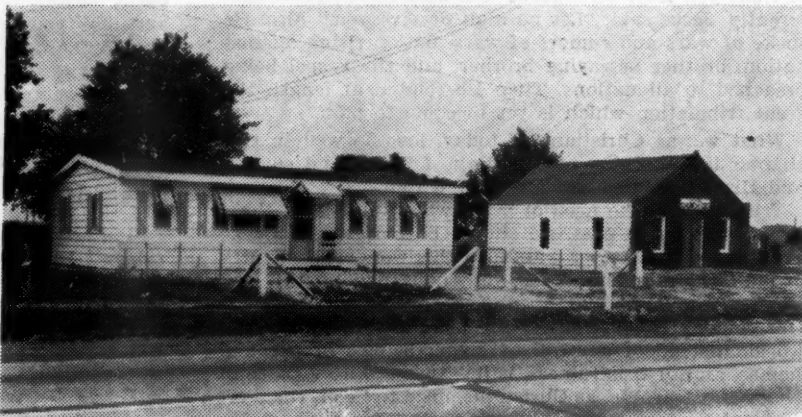
NORTH WILKESBORO, N. C.—The Lord met with us in a wonderful way during our recent revival. Eight were

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This is a picture of our new church recently built in Phoenix, Arizona. God has certainly supplied our need in the construction of it in many ways. He moved on the hearts of many businessmen in the city to contribute to our need. Our new oak pews, which will last for a lifetime, can be seen in the picture. They were contributed by Mr. J. A. Barker, of Phoenix. Time and space prohibit telling all that God has done for us, but materials were supplied miraculously. The lighting system was installed for about half cost or less. The beautiful solid mahogany doors, with raised panels and mold, were given to us at

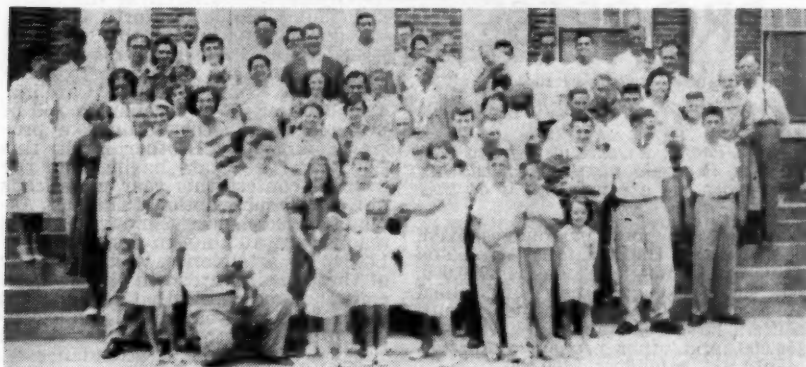
a greatly reduced price. The steps, which are flagstone and semicircle, are another great blessing that God gave to us. The ceilings are acoustical tile and have fluorescent lights. Also, we have a nursery, pastor's study, and two rest rooms. The elevated choir and the main floor are pitched. The outside, which is not completed, will be red brick veneer. We give God the glory for all that has been done, and give thanks to the praying and working people in our church. In your travel through the West, we invite you to stop in with us and enjoy the blessings of God.—Cheslie N. Collins, Pastor.



The new state parsonage in New Jersey. This is the first Church of God building to be erected in this state. It was built by H. R. Appling, state overseer.

ORPHANAGE HOME-COMING A GREAT SUCCESS

Mrs. George W. Ayers



(A part of those who attended)

"This is the biggest crowd that we have ever had," said one, and "This has been the best program, too," said another. They were both right, for over 100 persons attended the annual home-coming of the Church of God Orphanage Alumni Association on Sunday, July 4. God's name was lifted in praise as the Orphanage Band played such songs as "I Bowd on My Knees and Cried Holy," "It Is No Secret," "Onward Christian Soldiers," and other fine instrumental numbers. The Senior Girls' Chorus sang "I'm Feeling Mighty Fine" and "How About Your Heart." The Boys' Glee Club, dressed in white shirts, bow ties, and navy blue pants, sang "I Thank My God I'm in His Care" and "I'll Be Somewhere Working for My Lord." The Junior Girls' Chorus followed with "Someone to Care" and "Oh, I Love Him So." Brother Marshall Roberson, pastor of East Nashville, taught the Sunday School lesson, and after we had testimonies from some of the former employees, we had more special singing. Dinner was served which consisted of chicken, apple pie, and all the fixings of a wonderful meal.

In the afternoon a short business session was held by the Alumni Association, and the following officers were elected for this year: Mrs. Max Atkins, president; Brother Bennie Triplett, vice-president; and Mrs. Betty Jordan, secretary-treasurer. After the business session, the Alumni played the home team in a softball game, with the home team winning the game. Then came the watermelon feast. Being thirsty, everyone really enjoyed it, I am sure. Later some of the Alumni gathered in the auditorium for a song fest, with Brother Bennie Triplett at the piano.

Among the children who had been reared in the home and former employees who returned for this day were previous superintendents, Brother William F. Dych, Brother L. C. Chambers, and C. J. Eller, also, their wives.

As the cars drove out of the driveway, a tinge of sadness settled over us, but we thought of the song "Glad Reunion Day" and decided to work harder than ever to help win souls and to hasten the coming of Jesus for His own. Pray lots for us here.



A Sunday School group in front of the new church at Leo, South Carolina.—C. P. Cashatt, Pastor.

REVIVALS

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saved, 5 sanctified, 1 received the Holy Ghost, and 5 baptized in water. Sister Mavis Bridges of Rocky Mount, was the evangelist. We also have had a great increase in our Sunday School, and we thank God for the way He is blessing us.—Amanda Anderson, Reporter.

BROWNSVILLE, Tenn.—August 9, 1954, marked the first anniversary of our Church which started with 9 members. A great revival is now in progress in which 44 have been saved, 25 sanctified, 11 filled with the Holy Ghost, 30 baptized in water, and 28 added to the Church. Our young evangelist, J. Connie Hart, of Kewanee, Missouri, is doing a great work for God and would be a blessing to any church. He entered the ministry at the age of thirteen, and now at the age of sixteen is leading many souls, especially young people, to Christ. All our people are laboring faithfully in the harvest of souls, and God is working with us.—Orene Hayes, Clerk.

WHITWELL, Tenn.—We have been privileged to attend the greatest Church of God revival Whitwell has ever known. For the past six weeks heaven has really come down in a wonderful way, and throughout the meeting a great spirit of love and willingness prevailed. We feel a deep debt of gratitude, love, and appreciation for our fine pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister W. T. Morefield. The congregation was swayed by his wonderful preaching, and the manifestations of the Spirit as the Holy Ghost moved on the people. We can never forget the mighty power of the Holy Ghost that has been manifested, the powerful conviction, and the touching and effective altar services. As a result of these convicting sermons, 75 souls were saved, 47 sanctified, 33 filled with the Holy Ghost, 67 baptized in water, and 17 united with the Church. (There are several more who wish to unite when Brother Morefield returns from the Assembly.)

Since Brother Morefield came to our church three months ago, our Sunday School enrollment has moved up 75 or 100 giving us 350 and 400 in attendance each Sunday. Two Sundays we didn't have classes; the Holy Ghost took control and 17 souls made their way to the altar. This is the time we have looked forward to for years. We are rejoicing because God has honored us so. Under the supervision of our pastor plans are being made now for our new church. We are keenly aware that God has placed his approval on Brother Morefield being our pastor. This revival which is so alive with interest and enjoyment—one with a deep spiritual tide—will continue when Brother Morefield returns from the Assembly. Each one of us have a burning desire to have more of the power of God in our lives.—Louise Russell, Reporter.

PARADE OF PROGRESS

By H. E. STONE, Chairman of State Publicity Committee

Editorial Note:

This article was written shortly before the General Assembly, but did not reach the EVANGEL Office in time. Ordinarily, it would not be printed this late, but because it is such an encouraging report, we are printing it at this late date.

The churches in North Carolina march on from victory to victory. Four years ago Brother Earl P. Paulk was appointed overseer of North Carolina. He succeeded the late E. W. Williams, who had accomplished a work that will live long in the hearts of the ministers and members of the Church in North Carolina—that of purchasing and of building a large tabernacle for our State camp meetings. Brother Paulk lost no time in taking over and organizing his workers, and for the last four years the beauty of a New Testament Church has been seen in the work of this great State. Brother Paulk has worked untiringly, and with the district pastors, state council, pastors, and members, he has formed a fine team. God has honored this unity and has given the increase. Join us now in the reviewing stands and watch the PARADE pass in review.

Spiritual Growth

The preaching of the Word by the pastors and evangelists has resulted in thousands being saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy host. A net gain in membership in the past four years climbed from eleven thousand to over fourteen thousand, and thirty-seven new churches have been organized. A mobile church has been built this year, and it is now being used in new fields. Praise the Lord for His presence and power in the outstanding spiritual growth of the Church in North Carolina, which just twenty years ago the state overseer pastored in Charlotte when there were only a few churches.

Campground Development

The beautiful State campground is located on the four-lane Wilkinson Boulevard near Charlotte. This past year the last of a \$30,000 indebtedness was paid. Much has been done in these four years to develop the campground; such as, paving roads; erecting a very large water tank; with a cost of \$2500 the painting of three beautiful pictures in the tabernacle, one is the life-size painting of the Last Supper; building a new dormitory which is used at the camp meetings, youth camps and the State Bible schools; making a beautiful pool which is used for baptizing at the close of the camp meetings, also, for the youth camps and Bible schools; installing a new bookstore; buying three new lots which give access to another side of the campground; erecting a beautiful large neon sign on the highway entrance to the grounds. Value of improvements to the State campground total \$87,000.

Forty-eight new churches, along

with forty-one new parsonages, have been built in the last four years. The value of the new churches is \$650,000, and the parsonages (new) are valued at over \$300,000. Fifteen new youth centers have been built at a value of \$66,000, and other property improvements are valued at \$200,000.

A beautiful new building has recently been built at our Orphanage at Kannapolis, which is valued at \$75,000. It was built when the Boys' Home burned. The value of our State property, which includes our Orphanage, the campground, and state parsonages for the state overseer and state youth director, has now reached the half a million mark.

Youth and L.W.W.B.

Much of the credit for such an outstanding report is given to the L.W.W.B. and their president, Mrs. Earl P. Paulk, who for the last four years has raised many thousands of dollars. This year their offering totaled \$135,000, a gain of \$30,000 over last year.

There is no doubt but that this fine work carried on by the Ladies' Willing Workers' Band, under the leadership of the wives of the men who have served as overseers, has resulted in the building of fine churches of which the ladies are now making the payments on them, along with furnishing of parsonages and many other worthwhile causes too numerous to mention.

As we watch this wonderful parade from the reviewing stand, the question comes "What accounts for this?" An answer can be given that the great youth program that began several years ago in the Church and paced by North Carolina is now paying off, and much greater results are to come from the seeds sown in this work. The North Carolina State Bible School, started in 1948 by the late E. W. Williams, stands as a memorial to his work which is still following. Brother Paul took over this school with a zeal that cannot be equaled, worked for it, and taught special classes for the Ministers. Students at this school have received training which is of eternal value. The attendance has reached a high of 188.

North Carolina is now in its fifth year of youth camp work, which was first started under the direction of Brother E. C. Thomas, state youth director for five years. The first year there was an enrollment of eighty-one, which was a wonderful beginning. Each year the work has grown with wonderful spiritual, youth training results. In 1953 the enrollment was 396; this year the enrollment reached

744. For the last two years, hundreds have been saved and 304 were received into the Church at the camp. The young people of North Carolina are distributing a monthly total of 6,242 Lighted Pathways; this includes a roll of fourteen each month to every prison camp in North Carolina. Also, each prison is receiving a roll of *Evangelists* each week through a program started by Brother Paulk this last year. The State having won the *Evangel* contest this year, now leads in *Evangel* subscriptions. This last Assembly year our Sunday Schools reached an all time in one month of 113,342 in attendance. A great many of the prizes awarded in the national contest came to North Carolina, and in the last two years, with the exception of one month, our Sunday School has led the nation in attendance.

Last, but not least, is the missions spirit that this State has had over the years, for great gains have been recorded in missions for the last four years. This year our district missions was \$26,519.00. Our State convention missions offering totaled \$21,418.83. We give you just a gist of the blessings that God has sent our way, for we want you to share with us the good news of what God has wrought among us.

Staff Writer of the CHARLOTTE OBSERVER Writes . . .

The following is by Granberry Dickson of the *Charlotte Observer*, the largest paper in the Carolinas.

"Under the leadership of Dr. Earl P. Paulk, excellent progress has been achieved by the Church of God in North Carolina. His state superintendency is a very active one, and the program is constantly widening.

"A powerful asset is the Church of God Tabernacle on Wilkinson Boulevard. Its facilities and services during the annual camp meeting and state conventions, the State Bible schools, and youth camps, and other special periods are being utilized in splendid fashion.

"The high standard of excellence characterizing such programs is a mighty factor in the continued advancement of the Church of God in North Carolina. Members of the denomination from other states freely acknowledge that they have derived much inspiration from the programs presented at this great spiritual stronghold. Often they obtain practical ideas of energizing nature, ideas which they translate into worthy objectives in other territories. There is no vacuum but rather a great pulsating force, with genuine interest in the spiritual welfare of others a dominant consideration.

"The Church of God Orphanage at Kannapolis is another extremely useful and helpful facility.

"Youth work is one of the many praiseworthy phases of the program of the Church of God in North Carolina.

"In the local churches throughout the territory, observers are greatly impressed by the sincerity and the purposefulness applied to the paramount

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COURT of PRAISE

He has come to our rescue in the time of need. I cannot praise Him enough.
—Bertha Funk.

WAYCROSS, Ga.—I have an inspiring testimony of what God has done for me. On July 3 my little daughter awoke with a real bad heart attack. I rushed her to our pastor, W. W. Ball, and he and his wife prayed for her. God healed her even though death was upon her. There is no disease which God cannot heal. I am unable to praise Him enough for what He has done for me.—Mrs. J. L. Anderson.

THOMASVILLE, Ga.—I praise the Lord for healing my body not long ago. Also, He healed my oldest daughter of a very severe earache, and she hasn't been bothered with that trouble again. I'll never be able to find words to express how much my Lord means to me and how He blesses so gloriously in our home. God so wonderfully saved my soul when it seemed as if I had gone as long as I could without surrendering my life to Christ. Praise the Lord!—Mrs. W. L. Palmer.

BAINBRIDGE, Ga.—I thank the Lord for healing my baby of the thrush as Brother and Sister Herring and I prayed for him. Oh, how I do thank and praise Him for His great power to come to our rescue in the time of urgent need. That is just what He did when my son, coming up the steps, dropped the baby on the cement porch. When I saw that something had to be done at once, I put the baby on the bed and cried out in earnest to my Lord. Praise His name, for He heard, answered, and healed my baby right then and there; then the baby, playing and smiling, stood up at the head of the bed. What a wonderful Saviour!—Sister Morris Odom.

SODDY, Tenn.—The Lord has done great things for us whereof we are glad. I am thankful for a Great Physician like Jesus. I want to tell the world of a definite, miraculous healing which the Lord did for me. I had varicose veins in my right leg and had suffered for nine years. During the last five years of this time, I had to wear an elastic stocking in order to be able to stand on my feet to do any work, since the muscle of my leg would draw when I put my weight on it. On May 10, 1953, I felt impressed to ask our pastor, Brother Claude L. Swagerty, to pray for me. I told him of my ailment and how most people had said it would take an operation to do my leg any good. The Holy Ghost came down, and when Brother Swagerty anointed me, I felt the divine touch from heaven as the healing virtue flowed through those veins. Since that time, my leg has never drawn and I have never had any need of the elastic stocking. Just recently the Lord healed me of a severe case of sinus trouble. Nothing can ever make me doubt these great experiences, and I praise the Lord for them.—Mrs. Leona Chancey.

SALEM, S. C.—We praise the Lord for performing a wonderful miracle

MARCO, Fla.—For years I have suffered with my back. The vertebrae would slip out of joint, and I would hardly be able to move for days. The doctor said that I had a curvature of the spinal column. Jesus healed me while I was being prayed for by some Church of God ministers, and I haven't had any more back trouble since. I praise the Lord for it!—F. D. Lett, Pastor.

BANDY, Va.—When my husband returned home from the service nine years ago, he had a punctured lung from a wound he had received in battle. At times he was not able to preach at all, and he had a persistent cough which kept him in a weakened condition. His condition gradually grew worse until he had to sit up in bed at night, and could find rest neither day or night. Finally, he became so incapacitated that he couldn't preach or sing, and could hardly testify. During this time, my blood pressure went up to more than two hundred, and I was hardly able to stay up. We continued trying to keep our faith in God, even though at times the way looked dark. One night, at the Church of God in Edgewood, Virginia, we both had the faith to believe God completely, and in answer to prayer, God completely healed us both. Since that time my husband has been able to preach, sing, and pray in the services; and I have never again been bothered with high blood pressure. It has been five years ago since God so wonderfully delivered us from our afflictions, and we are both still healed today. We praise God for keeping us in health these five years.

A few weeks ago, my husband was suddenly seized with an attack of rheumatic fever. He was so ill that he made arrangements for his funeral. I had never seen him so ill. The Church of God at Dunfordtown as well as friends on the district prayed fervently for his recovery. Eventually, some one prayed the prayer of faith, and God gave him an immediate and complete recovery. He stayed in bed only two days. When God healed him, he was almost too weak to move, but in a few minutes he was sitting in a chair talking and laughing while I made his bed. God still works miracles in the twentieth century, and we are so glad for the privilege to serve and trust Him.—Mrs. C. W. McKay.

PUEBLO, Colo.—I want to thank God for saving my soul and healing my body. If there was ever a soul

wandering around and completely lost in the dark, it was I. I also want to thank Brother Blake, Brother Chamberlain, Sister Rose, and all the good people of the Pueblo Church of God for the wonderful help they have given me in finding my way to the Lord. I am returning to work on July 6, after an absence of five months. Although it appears there will be no Church of God there for me to attend, I promise God with all my heart to continue the good that has been revived in my heart. Praise the Lord!—Thomas L. Quincy.

Brother Quincy, who is about fifty years old, was a Catholic and worked as a foreman for the Missouri-Pacific Railroad. He had heart trouble, and they said that he could not work anymore. Sister Rose was a Catholic for sixty years but got saved and healed also. She is now a member of the Church of God in Pueblo.—H. B. Chamberlain, Evangelist.

OCHLOCHNEE, Ga.—G. W. Sellers, Jr., a member of the Ochlochnee Church of God, had been hit in the side by a moving trailer three years ago. He had been operated on, but on June 7, 1954, while he was loading watermelons to carry to the Thomasville Market, the incision burst and the intestines protruded. He called for me, his pastor, and the church people. God wonderfully healed him, and the next day he carried his melons to Thomasville to sell. He has been going strong ever since.—R. L. Stansell, Pastor.

COLUMBIA, Tenn.—I praise God for what He has done for me. I had a severe stomach disorder, and I had been sick for about two weeks when the pastor, Brother John D. Baggett, prayed for me. God healed me, and I praise His wonderful name.—Echoe Walker.

VEEDERSBURG, Ind.—I want to praise God for His wonderful healing power. He healed my body of cancer and of tumors with which I had been afflicted for three years. After much suffering, I had consulted a doctor who told me that I would have to have an operation but I began to trust in the Lord. The Lord healed me instantly.

I also thank the Lord for healing my broken ankle about three years ago. When Brother and Sister Perry Riley, my pastor and his wife, prayed the prayer of faith, I was healed instantly, and I began to walk. The Lord has healed many times in our home, and

in one of our services. We were in a revival at the Cherry Hill Church of God with Brother Bert Dodson as the evangelist. Mrs. Bry Fretwell of Mountain Rest brought to the service her ten-month-old baby who had been bitten by a pilot snake. She said that she had carried the baby to the doctor but he said the child was too young to give shots and for her not to even give him an aspirin. She decided to bring him to church and have us pray for him. His little left arm was swollen to his shoulder. We anointed it with oil and God wonderfully healed him. His mother came back the next night and prayed through to the Holy Ghost. Praise His wonderful name!—Carl W. Edgar, Pastor.

SELMAN CITY, Texas—I thank the Lord for healing my body. I was losing weight, and I had a terrible cough. My right knee was so stiff at times that I could not raise my foot off the floor, but, praise His dear name, I'm healed.—Mrs. F. O. Reed.

LAVONIA, Ga.—I praise the Lord for saving, sanctifying, and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost. I love Him more every day. I also thank Him for healing me recently of an itching and for healing my husband of a headache and soreness about his body.—Mrs. Blanche Beebe.

My Deliverance

"I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work," John 9:4.

In the year 1949 as I was traveling down the broad way that leads to destruction, conviction seized my heart and soul. It made me so miserable that I could not sleep and I lost my appetite. All I could do was smoke cigarettes and seek pleasure. I saw others who seemed to be happy. I tried many things the devil offered me, but no peace or pleasure could I find. One day those filthy cigarettes came before me, and I tried to lay them aside, but the harder I tried the worse slave I was to it.

I lived almost thirty miles from a Church of God where holiness was preached, but I lived near other churches where the preachers would give the people a chance to shake their hands and join their churches. I knew I needed something from God before I joined any church. I began to seek Him, and on March 18, 1950, He delivered me from that cigarette habit. Friends, we do not find many churches today that teach us against the use of tobacco, but let us go to James 1:21 and we shall find that he tells us to lay apart all filthiness. We all know that it is not clean; therefore, it must be filthy. Let us come clean with ourselves and God regardless of what our preacher tells us. Let us search the Scripture and see where we stand. In Matthew 15:14 Jesus warns us about the blind leaders. Let us be watchful and be not deceived for God is not mocked.

On June 11, 1950, I made my way to the Church of God in Homerville, Georgia, where God delivered my soul

from sin. It was there that I found the pleasure and peace for which I had longed so long. I began to tell my friends and loved ones about Jesus, and some began to persecute and rebuke me. Listen, dear hearts, if God has saved you, He has saved you for a job. Let us work for Him while it is yet day for night will soon be here when no one can work. Jesus tells us in Luke 10:2 that the harvest truly is great but the laborers are few. Today we find many souls who are lost, but we find only a few who are willing to labor and do the work for Him who has been called.

In June, 1953, God called me to work the works but I rejected. A few months later I became seriously ill with cancer. God raised me from death's door and withered that cancer so that I might preach deliverance to the captives, recovering of sight to the blind, and to set at liberty those that are bruised. (Luke 4:18.)

For seven months I still carried the devil's sign, a drainage from my side, but on June 6, 1954, God delivered me again. Praise His great name! He stands with outstretched hands to deliver anyone who will believe Him.—Edna Moody, White Springs, Florida.

CLANTON, Ala.—I am a woman twenty-four years of age, saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. Today I am praising the Lord for His wonderful healing power. We were in a revival at the Jemison Church of God where I am a member. On the night of April 10, 1953, we had a healing service, and I went up to have my eyes prayed for. They were crossed and were so weak that I could hardly see without my glasses. I had worn glasses for fourteen years, but that night God wonderfully healed my eyes. I have not worn glasses since, and I am really thankful to the Lord for it. I am asking the prayers of the Christian people to pray for me that I will grow stronger in the Lord and ever do His will.—Mrs. Magdalene Blackman. Attested by Mrs. H. S. Bristow, Pastor.

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responsibility and opportunity of the Church—that of saving souls. The evangelistic content of the Christian gospel is constantly emphasized.—Granberry Dickson."

The ministers and members in North Carolina are deeply appreciative of the fine Christian service that Brother and Sister Paul have rendered the last four years. Although they left us this Assembly, their work will long be remembered and will follow them for years to come.

The work of Mrs. Floyd Reynolds, state secretary, under both Brother Paulk and his predecessor has been outstanding, and she and her assistant, Miss Doris Hardin, are appreciated very much.

DAVID A. ZAUKELIES TO JOIN LEE COLLEGE FACULTY



David A. Zaukelles, Ph.D., of Lansing, Michigan, began teaching in the science department at Lee College in September.

He received his Bachelor's degree in 1946 from Michigan State College and his Doctor of Philosophy degree in physical chemistry from Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, in 1950. While at Northwestern, Dr. Zaukelles was a teaching assistant for classes in chemistry.

Since receiving his Ph.D. degree, he has held the position of physicist at the Dow Chemical Company, Midland, Michigan, where he has been very successful in scientific research. He developed a recording differential refractometer, which was used to measure the concentration of solutions to dilutions to about .001 per cent. He developed mathematical equations pertaining to the theory of chromatography, and designed and built a precision laboratory thermostatic system. He also developed a beta-ray thickness gauge and designed a chemical analysis gauge.

Dr. Zaukelles is not only an excellent scholar in his field, but he is also an active member of the Church of God in Lansing, where he is church clerk. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. William G. Zaukelles, were pioneers in helping to establish the Church of God in Michigan. They were instrumental in taking the Church of God and the Pentecostal message to his father's people who had moved to western Michigan. They, in turn, became members of the Church of God and pioneered in establishing churches throughout that part of the State.

At Lee, Dr. Zaukelles will teach courses in algebra, chemistry, and physics. Also, he will do research at the college.

The administration of Lee College feels that Dr. Zaukelles will be a definite asset to the school because of his dedicated life, his professional training, and his research experience.



religious news



RUSSIA READY WITH H-BOMB

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP) According to columnist Robert S. Allen, Russia's second H-bomb test will take place sometime this month. The first occurred a year ago, on August 12, 1953. U. S. authorities have reason to believe the Reds will conduct a new series of hydrogen weapon experiments in the next few weeks. One explosion will very likely be an air drop. No hydrogen bomb has ever been detonated from a plane. The Russians now have bombers capable of "delivering" these catastrophic weapons.

At their May Day air show in Moscow this year, two new jet bombers appeared. One was comparable to our medium B-47, and the other to our heavy B-52. The latter is capable of intercontinental flights without refueling. Civil Defense Administrator Val Peterson has told congressional leaders Russia has enough of these bombers to be able to attack any target in the United States.

"NO SEPARATE HEAVENS" SAYS BISHOP

EVANSTON, Illinois (EP) Methodist Bishop Ivan Lee Holt recently said, "There cannot be separate heavens for particular kinds of Christians." The bishop, president of the World Methodist Council, advocated Christian unity at an opening of the annual meeting of the council's executive committee.

The sessions were held while Protestant and Orthodox clergymen from many lands gathered for the assembly of the World Council of Churches.

Bishop Holt, of St. Louis, set forth in a prepared statement: "Surely there cannot be separate heavens for particular kinds of Christians. It seems to Methodists impossible to believe that God, the Father, would put some Christians in an inner heaven because they happen to hold a certain tradition or believe in some doctrine others do not hold."

PRESIDENT SETS DAY OF PRAYER

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP) President Eisenhower designated September 22 as a national day of prayer and called on all Americans to "beseech God to strengthen us in our efforts toward a peaceful world."

The President's proclamation was issued under terms of a 1952 law providing for designation of a day "on which the people of the United States may turn to God in prayer and meditation."

The proclamation declared "it is fitting that all Americans should unite in prayer on one day of each year in reaffirmation of our reliance on divine support and our faith in the power of prayer."

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SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

(EP) There are 2,500,000,000 people in the world, and over half of them have never heard the name of Jesus.

COMMUNISTS RETRACT PROMISE NOT TO PUNISH CHRISTIANS

BERLIN, Germany (EP) Protestants of East Germany, who said what they meant about Communism during the recent all-German Evangelical Church Rally at Leipzig may, after all, have to pay dearly for it, according to press reports here. The reports said that Otto Nuschke, East German Deputy Premier and Minister of Church Affairs, who during the rally at Leipzig, assured newspapermen that the people who spoke their minds freely "will not be persecuted," has changed his attitude. While, during the rally Mr. Nuschke only intimated that "wherever offenses occurred" those responsible "might be questioned" in attempt "to win them for the East." He was later quoted as saying that those responsible would be "called to account."

The Church Rally at Leipzig was attended by some 65,000 delegates from the East Zone and about 10,000 from West Germany, and its closing services drew a crowd of over 400,000. Simultaneously, the Communist authorities organized meetings at Leipzig, and it was chiefly at these meetings that some participants uttered sharp criticism of the regime. As the Church Rally had only been permitted on the condition that no anti-Communist political demonstrations would be tolerated, Mr. Nuschke emphasized that the visitors from West Germany kept their promise "not to engage in political agitation for the West." The attacks on Communist policy were made "primarily" by East Germans, he said.

REDS CENSORING ALL SERMONS IN SLOVAKIA

VIENNA, Austria (EP) Roman Catholic sources here said Communist officials in the Czechoslovakian province of Slovakia had tightened their control over the Catholic Church by censoring all sermons. A recent order, it was said, required priests to submit their sermons for censorship one week in advance of delivery. A Catholic priest in Ceske Veinice who failed to submit a sermon was arrested, an

unconfirmed report added. The sources here said that state police agents in Slovakia had increased their control of Church activities.

ATTORNEY GENERAL SAYS RELIGION NEEDED TODAY

WEST LAFAYETTE, Indiana (EP) Attorney General Brownell said here that religion cannot be separated from the great political, economic, and social issues of the day. That being so, he asserted, it is the obligation of all who profess religion "to strive to bring about a better, a more secure, a more satisfying life for all men." The Attorney General discussed the role of the church in an address prepared for delivery before the National Conference of Methodist Men at Purdue University.

"For me," he said, "the 'church' means the company of all God's children." He said there are many specific contributions which "the good citizen, the religious citizen" can make toward the more satisfying life for all. "He can vote, in the primary as well as in the general election, and at the local state and national levels," said Brownell. "He can be willing to hold public office, even though it takes time that he would prefer to use otherwise. He can accept jury duty willingly, although it may involve financial sacrifice."

"He can participate in worth while community causes—youth organizations, Red Feather drives, civic associations, to mention but a few. He can lend his support in clearing slums and improving schools. He can conduct his personal and business life in accordance with a standard of values that will help to bring about the kingdom of God on earth."

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The average drinking family spends \$16,891 in a lifetime for intoxicating liquor.

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A Soviet worker must work approximately eleven times longer than an American worker to buy a bicycle.

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The United States has some 250,000 ministers of the gospel, while only 18,000 American Protestant missionaries are serving the rest of the world.

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The Retail Merchants Bureau of Fulton and South Fulton, Kentucky voted to meet for half an hour every Monday morning with a minister in attendance to pray for better business.

Haiti Is Blessed With a Personal Outpouring at Their Bible School

By JAMES M. BEATY, Director of Education

From March 29 to April 23, we had one of the most successful four-week sessions of Bible School ever held in Haiti. The first week was made a special study conference. There were twenty-five preachers, including a lot of our most qualified men, who attended this first week. Brother Stoppe was with us and taught the whole week on the baptism of the Holy Ghost. We have had men in the ministry here from years back who did not have the baptism of the Holy Ghost. During this week, four of them received the baptism. Brother Stoppe's teaching was very clear and faith-building. After each morning and afternoon session, those who had not yet received their baptism sought it, and the rest prayed with them.

At the close of the first week, half of the ministers went home. Twelve young preachers stayed for the following three weeks. We concentrated on "Preaching and

Sermon Preparation." Brother Lacombe, our Port-au-Prince pastor, and I did the teaching. The Lord gave us a profitable session.

Frank Pierre is one of the preachers who had been preaching for years without the baptism. By being a leader, he was hindered in seeking the Lord. He said the devil tempted him saying that he wanted the baptism so he could be promoted in the ministry. During the study conference, he saw that the heavenly Father wanted to give him, his son, the gift of the Holy Ghost. He received the glorious experience! About eight days after he left Port-au-Prince, I received a letter from him postmarked the sixth day after his arrival home. He wrote me in this strain: "It really works! I have been teaching what Brother Stoppe taught us, and seven persons have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost in the last six days!"

Love the Brotherhood

By MARGIE G. FRANCIS

1 Peter 2:17b, "Love the brotherhood." Hebrews 13:1, "Let brotherly love continue."

LOVE is a word that everyone uses quite frequently. Some people use the word without the realization of its true meaning. Husbands and wives use the word and it is one of the first words a child learns to speak. Sweethearts use it the world over. Love is a beautiful word and one that we all enjoy hearing. The dictionary defines it as a strong feeling of affection, attachment to, or delight in. Peter tells us to love the brotherhood, and the writer of Hebrews says, "Let brotherly love continue." As Christians we are to have a strong feeling of affection for one another and delight in being in the presence of one another.

Even though we hear so much about love, the world is starving to death for true, sincere, honest, genuine, and unadulterated love, which can be placed in our hearts only by God. The divine love of God is what the world needs. The world will not receive it until it sees it radiating from the hearts and lives of God's people. Love is not being manifested among the brethren as it should be. If we will love God more, we will love our brother more. In

reality, we prove just how much we love God by the way we love our fellow man. "If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?" 1 John 4:20.

God's love in our hearts will cause us to "go the second mile" for our brother. It will cause us to be given to hospitality, not grudging one another but having kindness one to another. It will cause us to prefer our brother, keeping ourselves in the background. We can consider love as the first of the fruits of the Spirit. By being filled with the Spirit, we shall manifest more love. Our lives will be more effectual; our influence will be greater; and we will reap the reward of seeing lost souls saved. We may not know just how many souls we are losing by not letting God manifest His love, as He has chosen, through us. Each of us is responsible for the lost and he will have to answer before God if he lives a selfish life. Let us not love in words only but in deeds, because love is proved by doing more than by saying. As we sum up love, we conclude by saying that love is the very essence of a Christian, and without it we will never reach heaven.

FALSE SECURITY

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on the outside, no doubt given wisdom by the eternal God on how to bring destruction upon this proud, impious, and wicked city, dug a new channel for the river and diverted the waters so that they could come into the city by walking on the old river bed.

His false security, impiety, and pride were his undoing. So it is even today—man, with fear of what may happen tomorrow, is trusting to his inventions for protection. America, with its roadhouses, honky-tonks, and hell holes, is indirectly repeating the words of Job (Job 21:15), "What is the Almighty that we should serve him? and what profit should we have, if we pray unto him?"

MANY LIVES HAVE been and are being ruined daily because of sinful pleasures. Homes are broken because the Lord is scorned. Many fathers and mothers have gone to an early grave because God had not been admitted to their home when their children were young. Many children are in a worse condition than orphans because of the way their fathers and mothers are living. Many wives and many husbands live unbearable lives because of the doings of their companions. All this is happening in a country where people are free to call on the Lord and to worship Him in the beauty of holiness.

The talk of the day is how to have a big time. The majority of the people are pleasure-mad, and the God of their fathers is spoken of very little. He is mentioned considerably in their cursing His name and making light of His Word. Many will say, "Don't we live in a great country," but they have many excuses about giving their hearts to the Lord. Many Christians find all kinds of reasons for not attending services, but they are always ready for pleasure. Their alibis are a mountain of untruths. The ministers of the gospel of life are preaching and teaching seemingly better than ever, but their converts are not as many as in years gone by. The people become more content in their own knowledge and pleasures. Parents who at one time could distinguish good from evil and sinful pleasures now overlook and hope everything will turn out all right. Never in the history of our Nation have people drunk so much liquor, walked the streets of our cities practically naked, so many murders committed, and have desired less of the knowledge of God.

WHEN THE PREACHER raises his voice against the sins that are being committed, many so-called Christians cry out, "Fanatic! Why should we listen to him? He preaches that our safety is in the Lord, but only a few believe him." There is a feeling of security in knowing we have a fine Military, Navy, and Air Force. Also, we have the finest radar system in the world. Our guns are the best, and our scientists are working on greater things. Truly, these things are needed in a great nation like ours, but the greatest need is Jesus Christ to reign in every heart so that He may bring the security of life eternal through His blood that will cleanse people of their sins. When people forget God in that they will not wholly rely on Him, they have false security.

We all know the familiar scripture, John 3:15, 16, "That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Remember, when everything fails, we can be secure in the Lord

through Jesus Christ, who came to give life and that more abundantly.

Remember, you examine yourself and not your neighbor—are you secure in the salvation of our Lord?

SUPPOSE THE PRESSES STOPPED

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news of redemption through Christ.

CHRISTIAN EDITORS and publishers have found much of value in conferences and institutes of various types, for the exchange of ideas and for the reception of suggestions from editors of secular newspapers and magazines. The latter have given of their services willingly, and their tips for the betterment of the religious press have been invaluable and have been received with deep appreciation.

The Christian Writers' Institute of Chicago, the Evangelical Press Association, and similar groups have done much to point up the possibilities of religious editing and writing, and should uncover further values in the future. It should be clear that many editors of the secular publications are active Christians who carry over in their own enterprises as much as possible the same Christian zeal which animates editors of the religious press.

It is interesting to note how the word "ministry" has expanded in its meaning in the Christian field. We speak of the lay ministry, the ministry of music, and the ministry of education. The idea should and will go farther to include the "ministry of journalism."

IF IT WEREN'T for the written or printed word, we wouldn't have the Bible today. If the four Gospels hadn't been committed to writing, the whole story of the historic Jesus might easily have been lost in the mists of the ages—that is, humanly speaking. No one would believe for a moment that God would not divinely preserve in some manner the facts of the life and death of His Son for the redemption of mankind. Yet, He chose the written word for the record.

Surely today the story of how the Good News is spreading in the face of the appalling sins and evils of this age is also divinely inspired. God is using the pen and the typewriter in the "ministry of journalism" wherever it is truly carried on in His name. It is an exalted opportunity for evangelism. Editors and readers make the paper and help make the Christian Church the invincible foe of mankind's curse and the agency of redemption of the lost.

Honor yourself and your household with Christian publications; give them a place of prominence that your visitors, as well as family, may read and learn. You will gather spiritual strength and inspiration along with knowledge, and your service to Christ will be enhanced.

If the presses of religious journalism were to be stopped, havoc in the spiritual realm would be wrought. But if they are kept rolling faster, greater blessing under God will come.

The world steps aside to let any man pass who knows where he is going.—Italian Proverb

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